and the balance provision lapsed. A sum of Rs. 4,666 is required for completing the works this year. Deducting the current year's budget provision of Rs. 1,411 an additional amount of Rs. 3,255 is necessary under "19. Sanitation and Conservancy—Improvements to markets and cartstands". I request that this may be granted.

Demand, put and carried

(iv) Rs. 150 under "1-Land Revenue (h) Remittance of Treasure (Cranganur)"

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Minister for Revenue):* I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 150 under "1-Land Revenue (h)—Remittance of Treasure (Cranganur)." Owing to heavy collections in the Cranganur Treasury the excess amounts which accumulate there have to be taken to the Trichur Treasury frequently. The collection of small coins is also on the increase and it has also to be taken to Trichur. Hence a large sum has to be spent by way of conveyance charges on this account. The allotment sanctioned under "1. Land Revenue—(h) Remittance of Treasure (Cranganur)" is only Rs. 120 out of which Rs. 97—12—0 has already been spent. A sum of Rs. 150 more will be required under the head to meet the requirements of the year. No savings are available for reappropriation. I request an additional grant of Rs. 150 under this head may be granted.

Demand, put and carried

(v) Rs. 75 under "1-Land Revenue (t) Anti-rabic treatment—(Cranganur)"

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Minister for Revenue):* I move that a sum of Rs. 75 may be granted under "1-Land Revenue (t) Anti-rabic treatment—(Cranganur)". The provision of Rs. 25 in the current year's Cranganur Budget under "1. Land Revenue (t) Anti-rabic treatment" has already been expended. A sum of Rs. 75 more is considered necessary to meet the demands of the remaining part of the year due to increase in the number of patients. No reappropriation is possible. The amount has therefore to be met by additional allotment. I request that this grant may be allowed.

Demand put and carried

(vi) Rs. 4,662 under "41-Miscellaneous—8-Rent Control Measures"

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Minister for Revenue):* I move that a sum of Rs. 4,662 may be granted by the Government under "41-Miscellaneous—8-Rent Control Measures". This House is already aware that there was a Proclamation by His Highness the Maharaja to bring the rent of buildings under control. The Rent Control Order passed under the Defence of India Act ceased to function by the end of October. Even though the War ended conditions which war has brought in did not cease and it became absolutely necessary to give relief to people who rented the houses. Therefore a proclamation was promulgated and under that proclamation a Rent Control Officer had to be appointed and a staff also had to be employed. The Salary of the Officer is Rs. 200 to 300. A typist clerk, peon and other necessary staff had also to be maintained. The total amount for the controller and the staff comes to Rs. 6,447. Out of which Rs. 1,785 is required to meet the pay of the controller which is non-votable. The remaining amount is Rs. 4,662. I request that the House may grant Rs. 4,662 under the head "41-Miscellaneous—8-Rent Control Measures".

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Can the House have information, Sir, as to which date the Officer has been in the Office?

Rao Sahib P. V. Raphael *(Chief Secretary to Government):* He was appointed about 3 weeks back.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vaakkancheri):* May I also know whether the fact that the Rent Control Bill which was intended to take the place of the proclamation which the other day has been referred to a Select Committee with a direction to report within two months has anything to do with the grant here now; in other words whether this amount will be required till that Bill which is sent now to a Select Committee is reported on and subsequently becomes law, whether that will have anything to do with this—in other words whether there is necessity for this amount just now or whether this amount is required only after the Bill becomes an Act and regular work is started after that. It is only by way of information that I ask.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Minister for Revenue):* Since the proclamation is in force certanly the petitions and other proceedings will have to be heard and decided by the Rent Controller.

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